

SCHOOL OF LAW, THE NORTHCAP UNIVERSITY  
NATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION  
V EDITION 2018

## **RULES & REGULATIONS**

### **1. Title & Commencement:**

1.1 The NCU Law School National Moot Court Competition (IV Edition) (hereinafter referred as MCC) shall be held on 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2018 at THE NORTHCAP UNIVERSITY, HUDA Sector 23A, Gurugram- 122017, Haryana.

### **2. Language:**

2.1 The language of the Competition shall be English.

### **3. Eligibility Criteria:**

3.1 Law schools/Colleges/ Institutes/ Universities, recognized by the Bar Council of India, are eligible to participate in the MCC. The participants should currently be pursuing their Bachelor's degree in law i.e., Three Year or Five Year Law Courses. Students who have completed their law courses are not eligible to participate in the competition.

3.2 Only one team can register from a particular law school/College/ Institution/University to participate in the MCC.

3.3 Only those members designated as Speakers will be permitted to put forth oral arguments in the Competition.

### **4. Registration & Accommodation:**

4.1 Teams are supposed to complete provisional registration by 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018 by sending soft copy of registration form at "[mootcourt2018@ncuindia.edu](mailto:mootcourt2018@ncuindia.edu)".

4.2 There's no limitation on the number of teams participating in NMCC 2018, However the registration is done in due date, Participating teams will be confirmed about their participation by an e-mail on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018 (Soft copy).

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4.3 The selected teams are required to submit a soft copy of the Registration Form, Travel Form and Demand Draft of participation fee of Rs. 3,500/- (Rupees Thirty Five Hundred only) drawn in favour of “THE NORTHCAP UNIVERSITY” payable at Gurugram/New Delhi on or before 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2018.

4.4 The students requiring accommodation have to pay Rs. 1,500/- (Rupees One Thousand Five Hundred) per team per day (including all food and travel i.e. from the Accommodation to the University and vice-versa only on the dates of competition). The said amount shall be sent as Demand Draft (Soft Copy) drawn in favour of “THE NORTHCAP UNIVERSITY” payable at Gurugram/New Delhi on or before 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2018.

4.5 The participants are required to submit the Registration form, Travel form and hard copy of Demand Draft latest by 6<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

4.5 Each team shall be allotted a Team Code along with the confirmation email on 9<sup>th</sup> March. The Draw of Lots for the Preliminary rounds will take place on 14<sup>th</sup> April before inaugural function.

4.6 The teams shall submit their written submissions by the team code allotted to them and “NOT” by their institution’s name.

4.7 Accommodation has been arranged for all teams by the Organizers on payment basis from 13<sup>th</sup> April, 12 PM to 15<sup>th</sup> April, 10 AM. Participants requiring accommodation please indicate the same in the space provided for in the Travel Details and Accommodation form.

## **5. Written Submissions/ Memorial:**

5.1 All participating teams must submit soft copy of their memorial in PDF format, for both sides by 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2018 by mail addressed to *mootcourt2018@ncuindia.edu*. No memorial after this date shall be accepted in any case. No extension will be entertained in any circumstance.

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5.2 All participating teams shall send 5 sets of Memorials (each side, total 10 Memorials) along with the registration form and Demand Draft to Ms. Pallavi Bajpai, Asst. Professor School of Law, The NorthCap University, HUDA, Sector 23-A, Gurugram, Haryana- 122017 01242365811-13 latest by 6<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

5.3 The soft copy of the Memorials will be treated as final submission and hard copy of Memorials should not differ from the soft copy submitted by the Participating team in any manner whatsoever.

5.4 The cover page of memorials for the petitioner shall be in Blue and of the respondent shall be in Red.

5.5 The teams shall not indicate their names or the names of their college or the university name on memorials. For all communications purposes, the team code shall only be specified.

5.6 The team code allotted to each team shall be indicated at top right corner of the memorial, which will be communicated by way of E-mail.

5.7 The written memorials shall conform to the set standards:

Teams must prepare memorials for both the sides.

- All Memorials must be in English, and must be printed single side on A4 size paper, with equal margins of at least 1 inch on all sides.
- The text font should be Times New Roman, size 12 for the main body, and Times New Roman, size 10 for the footnotes.
- Blue Book (19th Edition) mode of citation must be followed.
- The main body must be in 1.5 line spacing. The footnotes may be in single line spacing.
- Memorial shall not exceed 35 pages in all. Arguments shall not exceed 25 pages.
- Memorials shall not be plastic bound.

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5.8 The Memorial must contain all of, and only, the following parts:

- Cover page
- Table of Contents
- Table of Abbreviations
- Index Of Authorities
- Statement of Jurisdiction
- Statement of facts
- Issues Raised
- Summary of Arguments
- Arguments advance/ Pleadings
- Prayer

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**6. Evaluation Criteria for Written Submission:**

Every memorial will be marked on scale of 100 and will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

S. No	Criterion	Marks
1.	Proper inclusion of parties, identification of issues and nature of relief sought.	10
2.	Knowledge of Law & Facts	15
3.	Application of Law to Facts	15
4.	Analysis and Organization	10
5.	Use of Authority	15
6.	Proper Citation & Correct Format	10
7.	Originality in Presentation	10
8.	General Impression and Clarity of Thought	10
9.	Grammar and Style of Presentation	05
	Total	100

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**7. Preliminary Round:**

7.1 There shall be one preliminary round on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

7.2 The Lots for the Preliminary round will be drawn by the NCU Law School Moot Court Committee.

7.3 The Petitioner shall be allotted a total of 15 minutes to speak. The Respondent shall be allotted 15 minutes (additional 5 minutes for rebuttal). Any extension of time beyond the specified period shall be subject to the discretion of the judges.

7.4 The division of time between the speakers is the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 8 minutes for one speaker.

7.5 Before the commencement of the each round, each team shall indicate to the ‘Court Officer’ as to how they wish to allocate their time.

7.6 At the end of the preliminary round, the top 8 teams will qualify for the Quarter Finals. The top 8 teams will be selected on the basis of marks from the preliminary round.

7.7 In the case of a tie, then it would be resolved by considering the memorial scores.

**8. Quarter Finals:**

8.1 The Quarter Finals will be a ranking round. The top 4 teams, with the highest total scores in these oral rounds shall qualify for the semi-final rounds.

8.2 The side to be represented by a team shall be determined by way of draw of lots with the teams picking the lots after the completion of the preliminary rounds.

8.3 The Petitioner shall be allotted a total of 20 minutes to speak. The Respondent shall be allotted 20 minutes (additional 5 minutes for rebuttal). Any extension of time beyond the specified period shall be subject to the discretion of the judges.

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8.4 The division of time between the speakers is the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 11 minutes for one speaker.

8.5 Before the commencement of the round, each team shall indicate to the ‘Court officer’ as to how they wish to allocate their time.

8.6 In the case of a tie, then it would be resolved by considering the memorial scores.

**9. Semi-Finals:**

9.1 The Semi-Finals shall be a knock-out round. A team will be credited with a win in the Semi-Finals if the total marks are higher than those of its opponent team.

9.2 The side to be presented by the team shall be determined by way of draw of lots with the teams picking the lots after the completion of quarter-finals rounds.

9.3 The Petitioner shall be allotted a total of 25 minutes to speak. The Respondent shall be allotted 25 minutes (additional 5 minutes for rebuttal). Any extension of time beyond the specified period shall be subject to the discretion of the judges.

9.4 The division of time between the speakers in the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 13 minutes for one speaker.

9.5 Before the commencement of the round, each team shall indicate to the ‘Court officer’ as to how they wish to allocate their time.

9.6 In the case of a tie, then it would be resolved by considering the memorial scores.

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**10. Finals:**

10.1 The Final will be held after the Semi-Finals on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2018. A team will be credited with a win in the Final if the total marks are higher than those of its opponent team.

10.2 The Petitioner shall be allotted a total of 30 minutes to speak; The Respondent shall be allotted 30 minutes (additional 10 minutes for rebuttal). Any extension of time beyond the specified period shall be subject to the discretion of the judges.

10.3 The division of time between the speakers is the discretion of the team members, subject to a maximum of 16 minutes for one speaker.

10.4 Before the commencement of the round, each team shall indicate to the ‘Court officer’ as to how they wish to allocate their time.

**11. Dress Code:** Participants are required to adhere to the following dress code during the competition:

11.1 Ladies: White shirt, black trousers/skirts, black tie, black coat and black shoes.

11.2 Gentlemen: White Shirt, black trousers, black tie along with black coat and black shoes.

11.3 Strict adherence to the dress code is solicited. Failure will result in disqualification.

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**12. Evaluation Criteria for Oral Pleadings:**

S.No.	Marking Criteria	Marks
1.	Knowledge of Facts & Law	20
2.	Interpretation of Facts & it's Application	20
3.	Use of Authorities	15
4.	Style, Poise & Court Manners	15
5.	Organization of Arguments	15
6.	Time Management	15
7.	Total	100

**13. Scouting:**

13.1 Teams shall not be allowed to observe the oral submissions of any other team. Scouting is strictly prohibited.

**14. Awards:**

14.1 Winning Team Award - Cash Prize of Rs. 40,000/- Along with Winner's Trophy

14.2 Runners up Team Award - Cash Prize of Rs. 20,000/- Along with Runner's-Up Trophy

14.3 Best Mooter Male - Cash Prize of Rs. 10,000/- Along with momento

14.4 Best Mooter Female-Cash Prize of Rs. 10,000/- Along with momento

14.5 Best Memorial - Cash Prize of Rs. 10,000/- Along with momento

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**15. Decision of the Judges Shall Be Final:**

15.1 The decision of the judges with regard to the outcome of the rounds shall be final.

**16. Note:**

16.1 All questions seeking clarifications on the Moot Problem should be sent to mootcourt2018@ncuindia.edu by 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

16.2 More information about the University and the law school can be obtained from [www.ncuindia.edu](http://www.ncuindia.edu).

16.3 The organizers reserve the discretion to amend these rules at any time prior to the inaugural of the MCC. In case of any discrepancy or doubts regarding the rules, the decision of the organizers shall be final.

16.4 For clarifications through phone, please contact:

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**IMPORTANT DATES**

S.No.	Event	Date
1.	Last Date for Provisional Registration. (Registration form )	5 <sup>th</sup> March 2018
2.	Communication of confirmation to selected teams	9 <sup>th</sup> March 2018
3.	Last Date for receiving questions seeking clarifications	19 <sup>th</sup> March 2018
4.	Last date for softcopy of Demand Draft, Travel Details and Registration Form	22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2018
5.	Release of clarifications, if any.	23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2018
6.	Last Date for submission of soft copy of memorials	2 <sup>th</sup> April 2018 11:59 PM
7.	Last Date for submission of Hardcopy of Memorials (5 Copy each side), Demand Draft, Travel form, Registration Form.	6 <sup>th</sup> April 2018
8.	Inaugural Ceremony, Draw of Lots and Exchange of Memorials	14 <sup>th</sup> April 2018
9.	Preliminary Round	14 <sup>th</sup> April 2018
10.	Draw of Lots and Quarter Finals	14 <sup>th</sup> April 2018
11.	Draw of Lots and Semi Finals	15 <sup>th</sup> April 2018
12.	Finals	15 <sup>th</sup> April 2018
13.	Valedictory Ceremony	15 <sup>th</sup> April 2018